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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director

SUBJECT: Distribution of DDI Memorandum,
"Coverage and Sources of Selected
CIA Intelligence Publications, 1969"

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1. The attached publication is based on Jack Smith's presentation to your Planning Meeting [] earlier this year. It summarizes the results of a survey of coverage and source material used in the [] for the fourth quarter of 1969 and in intelligence memoranda produced during the second and fourth quarters of 1969.

2. Jack has not distributed copies outside of his Directorate and seeks guidance on what additional distribution, if any, should be made.

3. I believe that highly selective distribution should be made to the senior officers in the Community who have the principal responsibility for intelligence collection -- for their background information.

4. The report contains caveats which make its limitations quite clear. It attempts to develop a methodology for determining the frequency of use of information from various sources in our formal publications. It does not attempt to judge the quality of the sources and is not offered as a basis for management decisions.

5. It is always possible that the report could be misused by distorting the significance of its findings. On balance, however, I believe that the risk could be minimized by strictly limiting its dissemination and by having Jack Smith transmit all copies with a covering note emphasizing the caveats.

6. I recommend that the DDI be authorized to make the following dissemination of his report:

Internal

DDP	Clandestine Service Area
DD/S&T	Division Chiefs
D/OSI	Intelligence Directorate
D/FMSAC	Production Office Chiefs

External

Director, Bureau of the Budget (Red White says we have a prior commitment to furnish them the report.)

Director, NSA

Director of Intelligence and Research, Department of State

Director, DIA

Director, NRO

/s/
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